

IC 12-16.1-5

Chapter 5. Eligibility Determinations; Investigations

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IC 12-16.1-5-1

Investigations of eligibility

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Sec. 1. A county office shall, upon receipt of an application of a patient admitted to a hospital, promptly investigate to determine the patient's eligibility under the hospital care for the indigent program.

As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.

IC 12-16.1-5-2

Hospitals providing information for verification of indigency

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Sec. 2. (a) The hospital providing medical care to a patient shall provide to the county office any information the hospital has that would assist in the verification of indigency of a patient.

(b) A hospital that provides information under subsection (a) is immune from civil and criminal liability for divulging the information.

As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.

IC 12-16.1-5-3

Denial of assistance for inability to verify indigency

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Sec. 3. If the division or county office is unable, after prompt and diligent efforts, to verify information contained in the application that is reasonably necessary to determine eligibility, the division or county office may deny assistance under the hospital care for the indigent program.

As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.

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Notice of determinations

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Sec. 4. The division or county office shall notify, in writing, the patient and the hospital of the following:

- (1) A decision concerning eligibility.
- (2) The reasons for a denial of eligibility.
- (3) That either party has the right to appeal the decision.

As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.